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HIGHLIGHTS

North Carolina's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in November 1989 was 2.8 percent, declining 0.4 from the October 1989 rate of 3.2. In November 1988 the state's unemployment rate was 3.6. For the nation, the adjusted unemployment rate was 5.4 in November 1989 . The national rate was also 5.4 in November 1988.

The civilian labor force for North Carolina in November was estimated at 3,412,000, a monthly decline of 20,000 from the October estimate of 3,434,000. From November 1988, the civilian labor force saw an increase of 26,000 people.

Employment, seasonally adjusted for November, moved down to 3,318,000 from 3,321,000 in October for an decline of 3,000 workers. The number employed in November 1989 was 52,000 greater than in November 1988, for an increase of 1.6 percent. The number of persons unemployed declined by 17,000 in November (94,000) from (111,000) October. From a year ago (120,000), the unemployed estimate was down by 26,000.

In November, North Carolina's seasonally adjusted industry employment reached 3,059,300, a increase of 16,900 from the prior month's estimate of 3,042,400. An over-the-month loss of 600 occurred in manufacturing and a gain of 17,500 in nonmanufacturing. Changes were insignificant throughout the manufacturing sector. Employment gains in nonmanufacturing were most significant in the local government industry (+5,800) and government(+4,200). All major sectors contributed to this rise.

From November 1988-November 1989 a total of 47,000 employees were added to industry payrolls. Manufacturing employment declined by 2,600, to a level of 866,100 as employment in nonmanufacturing was increasing by 49,600 to a level of 2,193,200. The manufacturing losses were largest in furniture (2,100), electrical equipment (2,100) and tobacco (2,600). In nonmanufacturing gains of 3,900 workers occurred in transportation, 18,300 in trade and 25,200 in service & miscelleanous.

There were 11,396 persons placed in jobs through the Employment Security Commission in November 1989. Of these,4,719 were placed in manufacturing industries. More than 2,500 persons founds jobs in the service industry, while 2,098 individuals were placed in the trade industry. By occupational category, 2,573 individuals were employed in packaging and material handling; 1,494 in bench work; 1,590 in services, except domestic; and 1,214 in machine trades.

Production workers in North Carolina's manufacturing industries earned $8.48 an hour in November. The average hours worked were 40.7, and average weekly earnings amounted to $345.14. There was an increase of $ .24 an hour in average hourly earnings from November 1988 . Workers in cigarette manufacturing were the highest hourly wage earners at $18.81. In nonmanufacturing, the average hourly earnings were highest among workers in communications, & electric, gas & sanitary services at $12.88.

The number of production workers in North Carolina's manufacturing industries declined by 1,400, from 684,200 in October to 682,800 in November. This decline was spread across the entire sector. The largest over-the-month gainer was in furniture (+500). From October of last year, manufacturing lost 4,500 production workers. This loss occurred throughout the manufacturing sector.

Table 1

Employment Status of the North Carolina Civilian Population

November 1989

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: June 1989 through November 1989					
	Nov. 1988	June 1989	July 1989	Aug. 1989	Sep. 1989	Oct. 1989	Nov. 1989
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,951	5,006	5,014	5,016	5,021	5,027	5,032
Civilian Labor Force	3,386	3,463	3,444	3,432	3,454	3,432	3,412
Participation Rate[1]	68.4	69.2	68.9	68.4	68.8	68.2	67.8
Employed	3,266	3,339	3,327	3,304	3,315	3,321	3,318
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	66.0	66.7	66.4	65.9	66.0	66.1	65.9
Unemployed	1120	124	117	128	139	111	94
Unemployment Rate	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.7	4.0	3.2	2.8
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: September 1989 through November 1989		
	Nov. 1988	Sep. 1989	Oct. 1989	Nov. 1989
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,951	5,021	5,027	5,032
Civilian Labor Force	3,405	3,445	3,446	3,425
Participation Rate[1]	68.8	68.6	68.5	68.1
Employed	3,281	3,324	3,324	3,328
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	66.3	66.2	66.1	66.1
Unemployed	124	121	106	97
Unemployment Rate	3.6	3.5	3.1	2.8
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2

[1]The participation rate represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population that are in the labor force.
[2]The employment-population ratio represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population who are employed.
[3]The insured unemployment rate represents a weekly average of weeks claimed for unemployment insurance benefits in a given month as a percentage of employment covered under the Employment Security Law for the most recent 12-month period for which data are available.

Table 2

Employment Status of the United States Civilian Population

November 1989

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: June 1989 through November 1989					
	Nov. 1988	June 1989	July 1989	Aug. 1989	Sep. 1989	Oct. 1989	Nov. 1989
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	185,244	186,329	186,483	186,598	186,726	186,861	187,017
Civilian Labor Force	122,510	124,102	123,956	124,018	124,040	124,105	124,515
Participation Rate[1]	66.0	66.6	66.5	66.5	66.4	66.4	66.6
Employed	115,947	117,541	117,459	117,597	117,456	117,545	117,786
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	62.6	63.1	63.0	63.0	62.9	62.9	63.0
Unemployed	6,563	6,561	6,497	6,421	6,584	6,561	6,729
Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.4
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.2	2.0

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: September 1989 through November 1989		
	Nov. 1988	Sep. 1989	Oct. 1989	Nov. 1989
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	185,244	186,726	186,871	187,017
Civilian Labor Force	122,639	123,828	124,416	124,515
Participation Rate[1]	66.2	66.3	66.6	66.6
Employed	116,314	117,498	118,194	117,786
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	62.8	62.9	63.2	63.0
Unemployed	6,325	6,330	6,222	6,729
Unemployment Rate	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.4
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	1.8	2.0	1.8	2.2

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Figure 1

A Comparison of Unemployment Rates in North Carolina and the United States (Seasonally Adjusted)

November 1988-November 1989

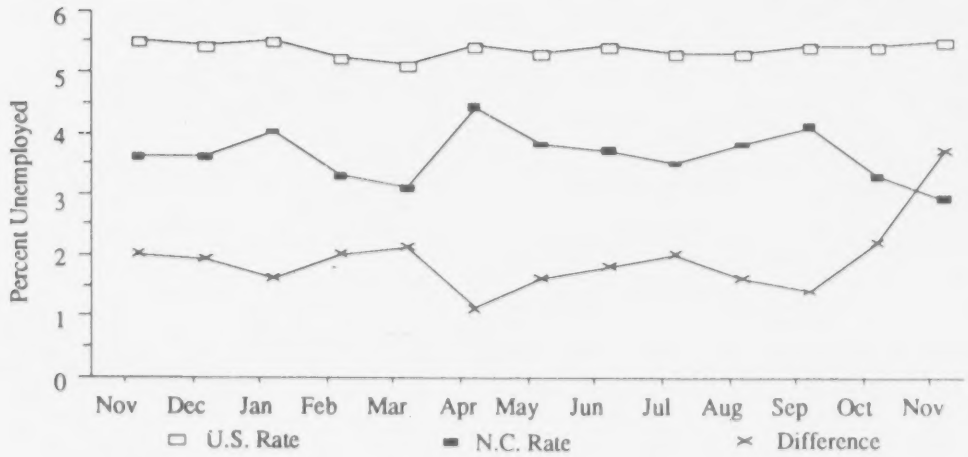

Figure 2

North Carolina Unemployment Rates (Adjusted and Unadjusted)

November 1988-November 1989

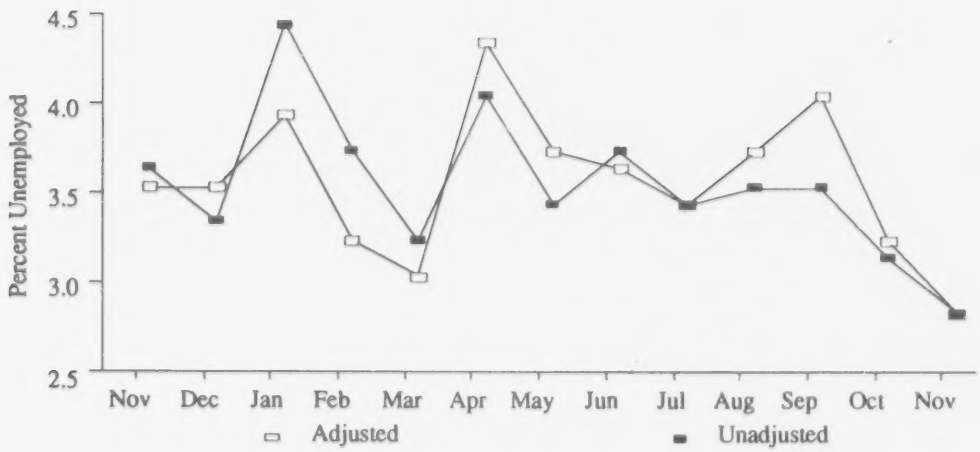

Table 3

Industry Employment in North Carolina

November 1989[1]

(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Change From: Oct. 1989 Net	Oct. 1989 Percent	Nov. 1988 Net	Nov. 1988 Percent
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force [3]	3,425.1	3,446.2	3,405.4	- 21.1	- 0.6	+ 19.7	+ 0.6
Employment, Total	3,328.1	3,340.6	3,281.4	- 12.5	- 0.4	+ 46.7	+ 1.7
Unemployment, Total	97.0	105.6	124.0	- 8.6	- 8.1	- 27.0	- 21.8
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	2.8	3.1	3.6	- 0.3	xxx	- 0.8	xxx
(Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force[3]	3,412.0	3,432.0	3,386.0	- 20.0	- 0.6	+ 26.0	+ 0.8
Employment, Total	3,318.0	3,321.0	3,266.0	- 3.0	- 0.1	+ 52.0	+ 1.6
Unemployment, Total	94.0	111.0	120.0	- 17.0	- 15.3	- 26.0	- 21.7
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	2.8	3.2	3.5	- 0.4	xxx	- 0.7	xxx
Total Nonagricultural Employment	3,059.3	3,042.4	3,012.3	+ 16.9	+ 0.6	+ 47.0	+ 1.6
Manufacturing	866.1	866.7	868.7	- 0.6	- 0.1	- 2.6	- 0.3
Durable Goods	355.2	355.8	354.7	- 0.6	- 0.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	36.4	36.1	36.5	+ 0.3	+ 0.8	- 0.1	- 0.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.2	12.0	12.1	+ 0.2	+ 1.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.8
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	9.4	9.3	9.3	+ 0.1	+ 1.1	+ 0.1	+ 1.1
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.3	4.3	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	86.5	86.2	88.6	+ 0.3	+ 0.3	- 2.1	- 2.4
Household Furniture	76.6	76.2	78.8	+ 0.4	+ 0.5	- 2.2	- 2.8
Wood Household Furniture	39.2	38.8	40.3	+ 0.4	+ 1.0	- 1.1	- 2.7
Upholstered Household Furniture	32.0	32.1	32.5	- 0.1	- 0.3	- 0.5	- 1.5

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[2]Revised.
[3]Data are compiled on the basis of Place of Residence.
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[6]This category includes Services, except Domestic, Agricultural Services, Forestry and Fisheries.
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Industry employment compiled by the LMI Division in cooperation with USDOL, BLS.

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Industry Employment in North Carolina

November 1989[1]

(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Change From: Oct. 1989 Net	Oct. 1989 Percent	Nov. 1988 Net	Nov. 1988 Percent
Stone, Clay & Glass	21.4	21.5	21.3	- 0.1	- 0.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.5	2.7	+ 0.1	+ 4.0	- 0.1	- 3.7
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prods.	6.0	6.0	5.9	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 1.7
Primary Metal Products	13.0	13.0	12.6	0.0	0.0	+ 0.4	+ 3.2
Fabricated Metal Products	30.9	31.4	30.7	- 0.5	- 1.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.7
Fab. Struct. Metal Products	9.8	9.8	9.9	0.0	0.0	- 0.1	- 1.0
Machinery, exc. Electrical	64.1	63.8	60.1	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 4.0	+ 6.7
Special Industry Machinery	7.7	7.7	7.9	0.0	0.0	- 0.2	- 2.5
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	56.7	57.4	58.8	- 0.7	- 1.2	- 2.1	- 3.6
Household Appliances	5.4	5.9	5.8	- 0.5	- 8.5	- 0.4	- 6.9
Transportation Equipment	27.5	27.7	27.6	- 0.2	- 0.7	- 0.1	- 0.4
Other Durable Goods[4]	18.7	18.7	18.5	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 1.1
Nondurable Goods	510.9	510.9	514.0	0.0	0.0	- 3.1	- 0.6
Food & Kindred Products	52.2	52.2	52.3	0.0	0.0	- 0.1	- 0.2
Meat Products	24.7	24.5	23.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.8	+ 0.6	+ 2.5
Meat Packing Products	2.8	2.8	2.4	0.0	0.0	+ 0.4	+ 16.7
Dairy Products	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grain Mill Products	2.6	2.6	2.8	0.0	0.0	- 0.2	- 7.1
Bakery Products	8.5	8.6	8.4	- 0.1	- 1.2	+ 0.1	+ 1.2
Beverages	6.7	6.6	6.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.1	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.1	21.8	24.7	+ 0.3	+ 1.4	- 2.6	- 10.5
Cigarettes	15.6	15.6	18.9	0.0	0.0	- 3.3	- 17.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	5.5	5.1	5.0	+ 0.4	+ 7.8	+ 0.5	+ 10.0
Textile Mill Products	220.7	220.4	219.9	+ 0.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.8	+ 0.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	53.1	53.5	54.0	- 0.4	- 0.7	- 0.9	- 1.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	24.2	24.2	24.7	0.0	0.0	- 0.5	- 2.0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.6	28.0	28.1	- 0.4	- 1.4	- 0.5	- 1.8

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Classification	Total Employment Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Change From: Oct. 1989 Net	Oct. 1989 Percent	Nov. 1988 Net	Nov. 1988 Percent
Knitting Mills	86.3	85.5	83.0	+ 0.8	+ 0.9	+ 3.3	+ 4.0
Women's Hosiery, exc. Socks	24.1	23.9	22.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.8	+ 1.2	+ 5.2
Hosiery, NEC	23.2	22.9	22.4	+ 0.3	+ 1.3	+ 0.8	+ 3.6
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	16.7	16.6	15.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.6	+ 0.8	+ 5.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.9	5.8	6.3	+ 0.1	+ 1.7	- 0.4	- 6.3
Textile Finishing, exc. Wool	16.2	16.2	15.4	0.0	0.0	+ 0.8	+ 5.2
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.7	49.9	52.1	- 0.2	- 0.4	- 2.4	- 4.6
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.2	86.4	86.1	- 0.2	- 0.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats & Furnishings	30.5	30.8	30.3	- 0.3	- 1.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.0	33.8	35.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.6	- 1.6	- 4.5
Paper & Allied Products	21.6	21.8	21.6	- 0.2	- 0.9	0.0	0.0
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	9.7	9.8	9.9	- 0.1	- 1.0	- 0.2	- 2.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	8.2	8.1	8.0	+ 0.1	+ 1.2	+ 0.2	+ 2.5
Printing & Publishing	29.7	29.5	29.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.7	0.0	0.0
Newspapers	10.8	10.8	10.7	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	42.4	42.4	41.4	0.0	0.0	+ 1.0	+ 2.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.7	13.7	13.5	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 1.5
Rubber & Misccellaneous Plastics Products	31.8	32.1	33.8	- 0.3	- 0.9	- 2.0	- 5.9
Other Nondurable Goods[5]	4.2	4.3	4.5	- 0.1	- 2.3	- 0.3	- 6.7
Nonmanufacturing	2,193.2	2,175.7	2,143.6	+ 17.5	+ 0.8	+ 49.6	+ 2.3
Mining	5.0	5.0	4.8	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 4.2
Construction	161.5	160.2	168.1	+ 1.3	+ 0.8	- 6.6	- 3.9
Transportation	152.8	151.4	148.9	+ 1.4	+ 0.9	+ 3.9	+ 2.6
Transportation, exc. Railroad	92.9	91.4	87.4	+ 1.5	+ 1.6	+ 5.5	+ 6.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	56.3	56.7	57.8	- 0.4	- 0.7	- 1.5	- 2.6

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Classification	Total Employment Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Change From: Oct. 1989 Net	Oct. 1989 Percent	Nov. 1988 Net	Nov. 1988 Percent
Wholesale and Retail Trade	707.9	700.3	689.6	+ 7.6	+ 1.1	+ 18.3	+ 2.7
Wholesale Trade	167.1	164.6	162.5	+ 2.5	+ 1.5	+ 4.6	+ 2.8
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	99.0	99.0	98.1	0.0	0.0	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	68.1	65.6	64.4	+ 2.5	+ 3.8	+ 3.7	+ 5.7
Retail Trade	540.8	535.7	527.1	+ 5.1	+ 1.0	+ 13.7	+ 2.6
General Merchandise Stores	80.3	79.3	73.3	+ 1.0	+ 1.3	+ 7.0	+ 9.5
Food Stores	89.8	89.1	87.3	+ 0.7	+ 0.8	+ 2.5	+ 2.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	133.4	133.3	131.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 1.7	+ 1.3
Service & Miscellaneous[6]	559.1	556.2	533.9	+ 2.9	+ 0.5	+ 25.2	+ 4.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	27.8	27.6	28.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.7	- 0.5	- 1.8
Personal Services	32.4	32.8	31.6	- 0.4	- 1.2	+ 0.8	+ 2.5
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	14.1	14.2	14.0	- 0.1	- 0.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
Total Government	473.5	469.3	466.6	+ 4.2	+ 0.9	+ 6.9	+ 1.5
Federal	54.5	54.7	54.0	- 0.2	- 0.4	+ 0.5	+ 0.9
State	133.1	134.5	131.1	- 1.4	- 1.0	+ 2.0	+ 1.5
Education	68.7	68.9	68.6	- 0.2	- 0.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Other	64.4	65.6	62.5	- 1.2	- 1.8	+ 1.9	+ 3.0
Local	285.9	280.1	281.5	+ 5.8	+ 2.1	+ 4.4	+ 1.6
Education	143.0	144.1	139.9	- 1.1	- 0.8	+ 3.1	+ 2.2
Other	142.9	136.0	141.6	+ 6.9	+ 5.1	+ 1.3	+ 0.9
All Other Nonag. Employment[7]	260.4	260.8	280.6	- 0.4	- 0.2	- 20.2	- 7.2
Agriculture	42.1	47.1	44.2	- 5.0	- 10.6	+ 2.1	+ 4.8

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Figure 3

Composition of Nonagricultural Employment in North Carolina (Seasonally Adjusted)

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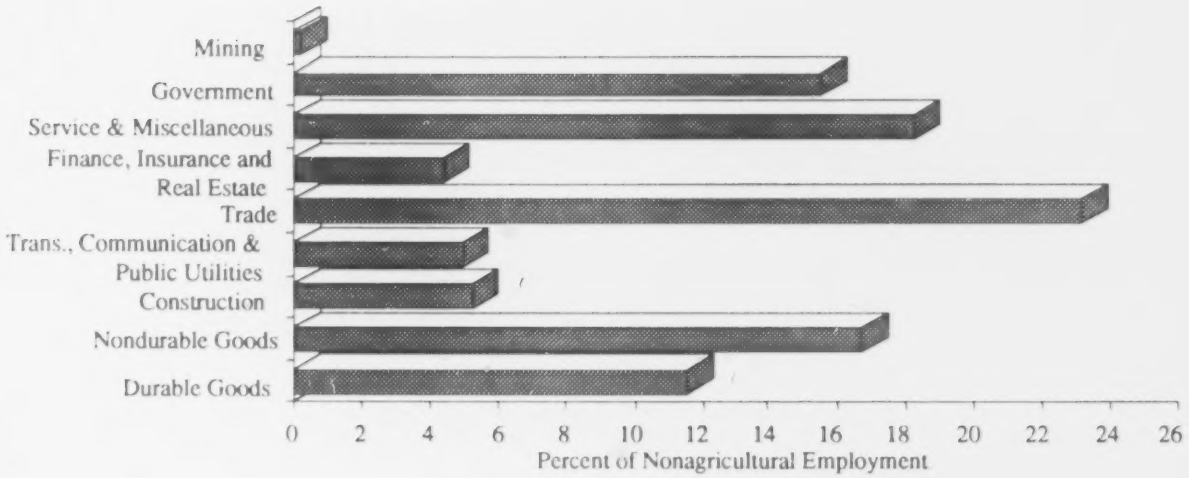

Figure 4

Employment Levels in Major Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina (Seasonally Adjusted)

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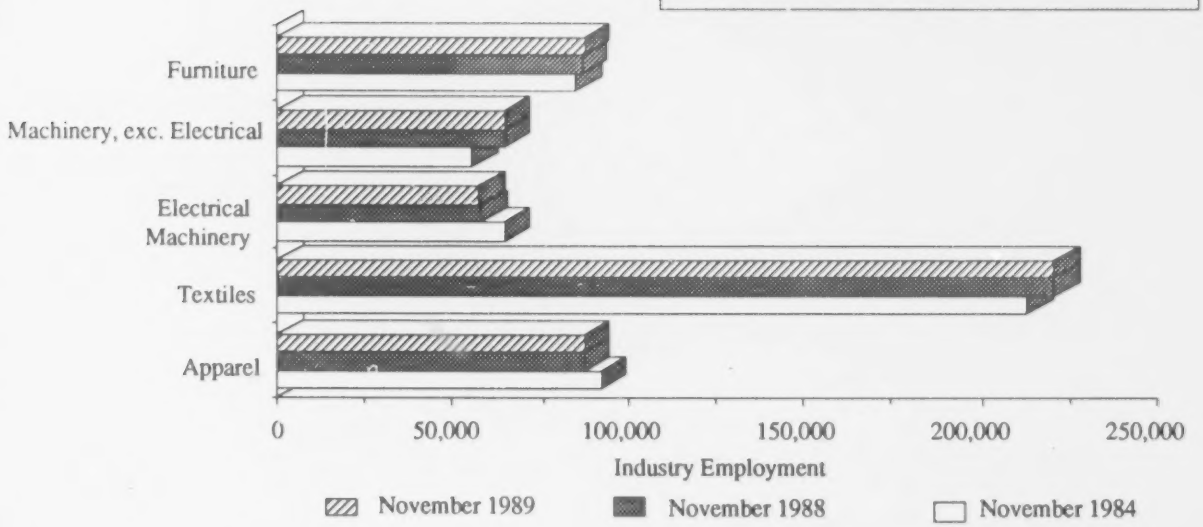

Table 4

Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission by Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions November 1989[1]

Occupational Categories and Divisions	Total Individuals Placed[2]	Total Individuals Placed In Regular Jobs[2, 3]	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	Mining	Construction
Total	11,396	10,882	292	9	1,029
Professional, Technical & Managerial Occupations	446	445	1	0	6
Clerical Occupations	1,488	1,479	3	0	31
Sales Occupations	569	549	3	1	4
Domestic Service Occupations	111	86	0	0	0
Other Service Occupations	1,590	1,521	1	0	19
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishery & Related Occupations	698	286	239	0	5
Processing Occupations	889	888	1	5	5
Machine Trade Occupations	1,214	1,208	0	0	25
Benchwork Occupations	1,494	1,494	1	0	6
Structural Work Occupations	1,249	1,209	4	1	871
Motor Freight & Transportation Occupations	380	372	2	0	35
Packaging & Materials Handling Occupations	2,573	2,431	24	1	32
Miscellaneous Occupations	67	67	0	1	2

[1]The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1989 to June 30, 1990.
[2]The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for industrial divisions do count each placement of an individual.
[3]A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

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Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission by Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions November 1989[1]

Manufacturing	Transportation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Services	Public Administration	Government
4,719	634	2,098	126	2,514	417	700
66	14	115	6	154	86	158
163	118	657	77	348	121	205
17	9	455	12	45	1	3
0	0	2	0	84	0	11
74	18	435	11	886	109	198
4	1	1	3	29	5	11
815	0	28	0	40	0	2
1,086	6	36	0	57	2	5
1,235	14	31	0	206	1	5
156	7	31	11	130	30	31
39	138	87	4	43	37	36
1,293	313	264	2	551	14	26
26	0	0	0	29	12	13

[1]The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1989 to June 30, 1990.
[2]The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for industrial divisions do count each placement of an individual.
[3]A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

Figure 5

A Comparison of Insured Unemployment Rates in North Carolina and the United States (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

November 1988-November 1989

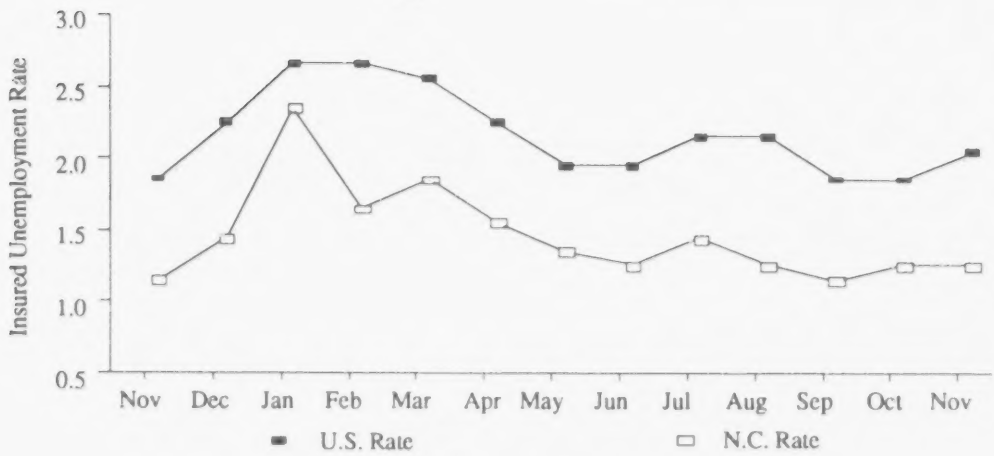

Figure 6

Individuals Placed in Jobs through the Employment Security Commission by Major Industrial Category

November 1989

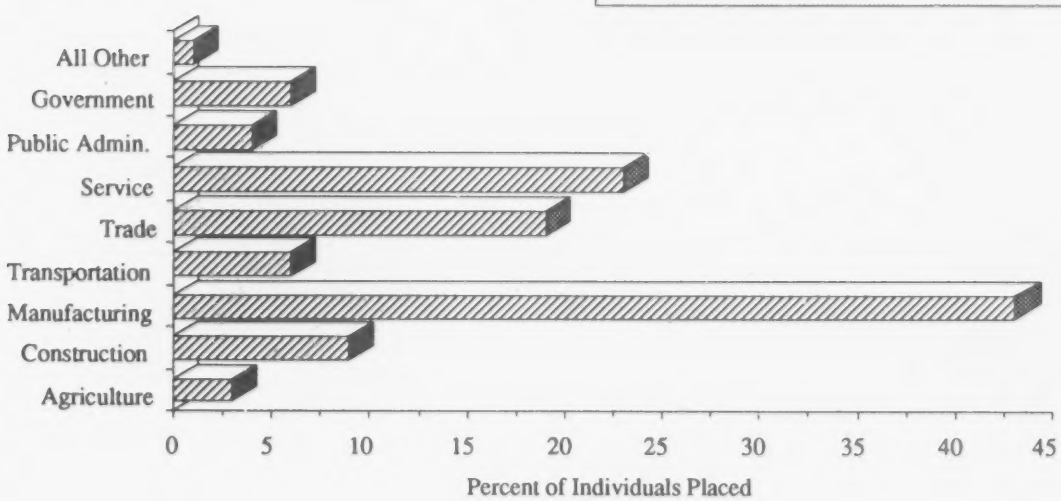

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Table I

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

November 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Percent Change From: Oct. 1989	Nov. 1988
Total Nonagricultural Employment	3,087.0	3,073.8	3,040.2	+ 0.4	+ 1.5
Manufacturing	869.3	870.6	872.2	- 0.1	- 0.3
Durable Goods	356.3	355.9	355.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	36.0	36.1	36.5	+ 0.8	- 0.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.1	12.0	12.0	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	9.3	9.3	9.2	0.0	+ 1.1
Wood Buildings & Mobile Homes	4.4	4.4	4.4	0.0	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	87.0	86.4	89.2	+ 0.7	- 2.5
Household Furniture	77.1	76.4	79.3	+ 0.9	- 2.8
Wood Household Furniture	39.5	38.8	40.6	+ 1.8	- 2.7
Upholstered Household Furniture	32.0	32.1	32.6	- 0.3	- 1.8
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	21.5	21.6	21.4	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.6	2.7	0.0	- 3.7
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Products	6.0	6.0	5.9	0.0	+ 1.7
Primary Metal Industries	13.0	12.9	12.6	+ 0.8	+ 3.2
Fabricated Metal Industries	31.2	31.4	30.9	- 0.6	+ 1.0
Fabricated Structural Metal Products	9.9	9.9	10.0	0.0	- 1.0
Machinery, except Electrical	64.2	63.9	60.2	+ 0.5	+ 6.6
Special Industry Machinery	7.7	7.7	7.9	0.0	- 2.5
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	56.9	57.5	59.0	- 1.0	- 3.6
Household Appliances	5.9	6.4	6.3	- 7.8	- 6.3
Transportation Equipment	27.4	27.4	27.5	0.0	- 0.4
Other Durable Goods[3]	18.7	18.7	18.6	0.0	+ 0.5
Nondurable Goods	513.0	514.7	516.3	- 0.3	- 0.6
Food & Kindred Products	52.5	52.8	52.5	- 0.6	0.0
Meat Products	24.8	24.6	24.2	+ 0.8	+ 2.5
Meat Packing Plants	2.8	2.8	2.5	0.0	+ 12.0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.8	0.0	0.0
Grain Mill Products	2.6	2.6	2.8	0.0	- 7.1
Bakery Products	8.6	8.6	8.4	0.0	+ 2.4
Beverages	6.5	6.6	6.7	- 1.5	- 3.0

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[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Instruments & Related Products and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.
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Table I
(Continued)

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

November 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Percent Change From: Oct. 1989	Nov. 1988
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.5	24.3	26.2	- 3.3	- 10.3
Cigarettes	15.4	15.4	18.7	0.0	- 17.6
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.7	8.5	7.0	- 9.4	+ 10.0
Textile Mill Products	220.7	220.6	219.9	*	+ 0.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	53.2	53.4	54.1	- 0.4	- 1.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	24.3	24.2	24.8	+ 0.4	- 2.0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.6	27.9	28.1	- 1.1	- 1.8
Knitting Mills	85.8	85.2	82.5	+ 0.7	+ 4.0
Women's Hosiery, except Socks	24.0	23.7	22.8	+ 1.3	+ 5.3
Hosiery, NEC	23.1	23.0	22.3	+ 0.4	+ 3.6
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	16.5	16.6	15.7	- 0.6	+ 5.1
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.8	5.8	6.2	0.0	- 6.5
Textile Finishing, except Wool	16.3	16.4	15.5	- 0.6	+ 5.2
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.9	50.1	52.3	- 0.4	- 4.6
Apparel & Other Textile Products	87.0	87.1	86.9	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	34.2	34.1	35.8	+ 0.3	- 4.5
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	30.7	30.9	30.5	- 0.6	+ 0.7
Paper & Allied Products	21.6	21.7	21.6	- 0.5	0.0
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	9.6	9.7	9.8	- 1.0	- 2.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	8.3	8.2	8.1	+ 1.2	+ 2.5
Printing & Publishing	29.6	29.4	29.7	+ 0.7	- 0.3
Newspapers	10.9	10.8	10.8	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	42.1	42.3	41.2	- 0.5	+ 2.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.6	13.4	0.0	+ 1.5
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics Products	31.8	32.1	33.8	- 0.9	- 5.9
Other Nondurable Goods[4]	4.2	4.5	4.5	- 4.5	- 6.7

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Table I
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Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

November 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Percent Change From: Oct. 1989	Nov. 1988
Nonmanufacturing	2,217.7	2,203.2	2,168.0	+ 0.7	+ 2.3
Mining	5.0	5.0	4.8	0.0	+ 4.2
Construction	162.8	163.6	169.5	- 0.5	- 4.0
Transportation & Public Utilities	153.7	153.4	149.7	+ 0.2	+ 2.7
Transportation, except Railroad	94.1	93.5	88.6	+ 0.6	+ 6.2
Comm. & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	56.0	56.3	57.5	- 0.5	- 2.6
Wholesale & Retail Trade	715.1	706.9	696.6	+ 1.2	+ 2.7
Wholesale Trade	167.8	168.0	163.2	- 0.1	+ 2.8
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	99.3	99.1	98.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.9
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	68.5	68.9	64.8	- 0.6	+ 5.7
Retail Trade	547.3	538.9	533.4	+ 1.6	+ 2.6
General Merchandise Stores	84.6	78.9	77.2	+ 7.2	+ 9.6
Food Stores	89.6	88.8	87.1	+ 0.9	+ 2.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	133.1	133.3	131.4	- 0.2	+ 1.3
Service & Miscellaneous[3]	558.5	561.8	533.4	- 0.6	+ 4.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	27.2	28.2	27.7	- 3.5	- 1.8
Personal Services	32.0	32.6	31.3	- 1.8	+ 2.2
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	14.2	14.3	14.1	- 0.7	+ 0.7
Health Services	142.8	142.2	134.8	+ 0.4	+ 5.9
Hospitals	60.1	59.7	54.8	+ 0.7	+ 9.7
Legal Services	13.5	13.3	13.0	+ 1.5	+ 3.8
Education Services	35.0	35.0	35.2	0.0	- 0.6
Total Government	489.5	479.2	482.6	+ 2.1	+ 1.4
Federal	54.7	54.8	54.1	- 0.2	+ 1.1
State	140.6	138.3	138.7	+ 1.7	+ 1.4
Education	76.3	73.9	76.2	+ 3.2	+ 0.1
Other	64.3	64.4	62.5	- 0.2	+ 2.9
Local	294.2	286.1	289.8	+ 2.8	+ 1.5
Education	151.7	150.4	148.6	+ 0.9	+ 2.1
Other	142.5	135.7	141.2	+ 5.0	+ 0.9

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Table II

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

November 1989[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988
Manufacturing	$345.14	$344.73	$337.02	40.7	40.7	40.9	$8.48	$8.47	$8.24
Durable Goods	361.90	360.26	354.38	40.8	40.8	41.4	8.87	8.83	8.56
Lumber & Wood Products	310.43	311.89	304.06	40.0	40.4	41.2	7.76	7.72	7.38
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	317.70	318.42	309.92	41.1	41.3	41.6	7.73	7.71	7.45
Wood Buildings & Mobile Homes	322.39	338.98	312.44	37.4	39.6	39.4	8.62	8.56	7.93
Furniture & Fixtures	304.13	309.67	293.73	38.4	39.1	38.7	7.92	7.92	7.59
Household Furniture	301.78	308.10	291.43	38.2	39.0	38.6	7.90	7.90	7.55
Wood Household Furniture	289.03	296.90	286.31	38.9	40.0	40.1	7.43	7.42	7.14
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	391.94	395.08	383.88	41.3	41.5	42.0	9.49	9.52	9.14
Structural Clay Products	336.58	337.43	320.58	41.4	41.1	41.1	8.13	8.23	7.80
Primary Metal Industries	427.55	420.09	412.47	42.5	41.8	43.1	10.06	10.05	9.57
Fabricated Metal Industries	401.10	397.70	394.85	42.0	41.6	43.2	9.55	9.56	9.14
Machinery, exc. Electrical	416.35	408.31	405.97	43.1	42.4	43.7	9.66	9.63	9.29
Special Industry Machinery	408.83	396.35	388.02	43.4	42.3	43.5	9.42	9.37	8.92
Electrical Machinery	386.40	379.81	399.25	42.0	41.6	42.7	9.20	9.13	9.35
Household Appliances	304.83	319.12	335.69	44.5	44.8	48.3	6.85	6.90	6.95
Transportation Equipment	422.68	412.72	400.53	42.1	41.9	42.7	10.04	9.85	9.38
Nondurable Goods	334.14	335.37	326.02	40.6	40.7	40.6	8.23	8.24	8.03
Food & Kindred Products	318.31	308.15	292.47	41.5	40.6	39.9	7.67	7.59	7.33
Meat Products	277.38	267.45	250.88	41.4	40.4	39.2	6.70	6.62	6.40
Meat Packing Products	384.64	378.25	386.69	47.9	47.4	47.1	8.03	7.98	8.21

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Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

November 1989[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988
Dairy Products	328.42	332.11	311.53	43.1	43.3	42.5	7.62	7.67	7.33
Grain Mill Products	337.81	350.10	346.81	41.5	42.8	43.9	8.14	8.18	7.90
Bakery Products	340.68	326.80	343.02	40.8	40.0	42.4	8.35	8.17	8.09
Beverages	536.50	517.18	500.26	39.8	38.0	38.6	13.48	13.61	12.96
Tobacco Manufacturers	541.94	570.04	558.00	39.5	41.7	40.0	13.72	13.67	13.95
Cigarettes	722.30	776.18	704.82	38.4	40.3	40.6	18.81	19.26	17.36
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	248.85	274.38	229.67	41.2	43.9	38.6	6.04	6.25	5.95
Textile Mill Products	309.14	310.24	295.71	41.0	41.2	40.9	7.54	7.53	7.23
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	352.73	351.45	331.06	42.6	42.6	41.8	8.28	8.25	7.92
Weaving Mills, Cotton	360.57	356.36	315.95	43.6	43.3	40.3	8.27	8.23	7.84
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	345.28	346.92	344.30	41.7	42.0	43.2	8.28	8.26	7.97
Knitting Mills	278.39	279.70	268.88	39.6	39.9	39.6	7.03	7.01	6.79
Women's Hosiery, exc. Socks	257.65	262.10	246.13	39.7	40.2	38.7	6.49	6.52	6.36
Hosiery, NEC	264.11	269.89	254.67	38.5	39.4	39.0	6.86	6.85	6.53
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	307.93	304.76	307.35	40.2	40.1	41.2	7.66	7.60	7.46
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	327.71	331.69	341.78	41.8	42.2	44.1	7.84	7.86	7.75
Textile Finishing, exc. Wool	322.76	325.20	314.67	41.7	41.8	41.9	7.74	7.78	7.51
Yarn & Thread Mills	307.19	307.75	293.64	41.4	41.7	41.3	7.42	7.38	7.11
Apparel & Other Textile Products	224.41	222.68	220.02	38.1	38.0	38.6	5.89	5.86	5.70
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	205.91	203.87	203.90	37.1	37.0	37.9	5.55	5.51	5.38
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	222.23	222.83	217.50	37.1	37.2	37.5	5.99	5.99	5.80

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Table II

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Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

November 1989[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988	Nov. 1989	Oct.[3] 1989	Nov.[3] 1988
Paper & Allied Products	538.01	546.75	509.52	44.5	45.0	43.4	12.09	12.15	11.74
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	723.58	755.38	685.32	46.0	47.9	44.3	15.73	15.77	15.47
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	417.25	409.79	402.43	43.6	43.0	43.6	9.57	9.53	9.23
Printing & Publishing	381.70	383.00	379.46	38.4	38.3	39.2	9.94	10.00	9.68
Newspapers	310.46	301.76	305.54	33.6	32.8	34.1	9.24	9.20	8.96
Chemicals & Allied Products	488.13	478.41	472.84	43.7	43.1	43.3	11.17	11.10	10.92
Plastics & Synthetics	527.56	524.18	531.55	43.6	43.5	45.2	12.10	12.05	11.76
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	398.19	403.38	425.88	40.1	40.5	42.0	9.93	9.96	10.14
Mining	456.87	469.95	463.87	47.1	48.2	49.4	9.70	9.75	9.39
Comm. & Elec., Gas & Sanitary Services	568.01	578.56	528.28	44.1	44.3	42.5	12.88	13.06	12.43
Wholesale & Retail Trade	217.35	219.05	209.82	31.5	31.7	31.6	6.90	6.91	6.64
Wholesale Trade	353.86	354.37	334.54	39.1	39.2	38.9	9.05	9.04	8.60
Retail Trade	179.34	180.86	175.53	29.4	29.6	29.6	6.10	6.11	5.93
General Merchandise Stores	171.53	172.82	160.97	27.8	28.1	27.1	6.17	6.15	5.94
Food Stores	179.87	185.10	179.70	29.2	30.0	29.9	6.16	6.17	6.01
Services, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	162.13	159.23	148.50	31.3	31.1	29.7	5.18	5.12	5.00
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	220.50	216.09	212.53	35.0	34.3	35.6	6.30	6.30	5.97

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Figure I

Average Hourly Earnings by Major Industry Sectors in North Carolina

November 1989

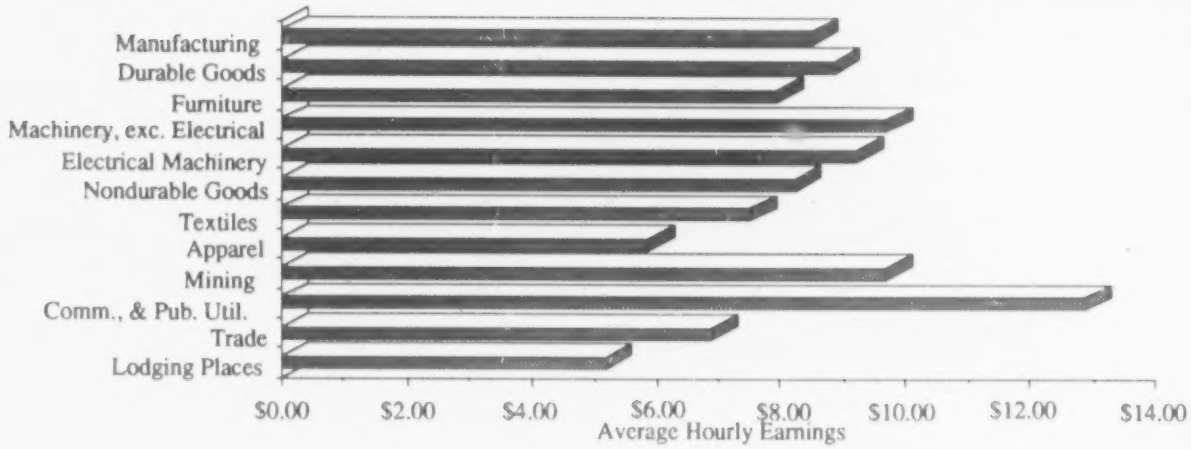

Figure II

Average Hourly Earnings in Durable Goods Industries Compared to the North Carolina Average

November 1989

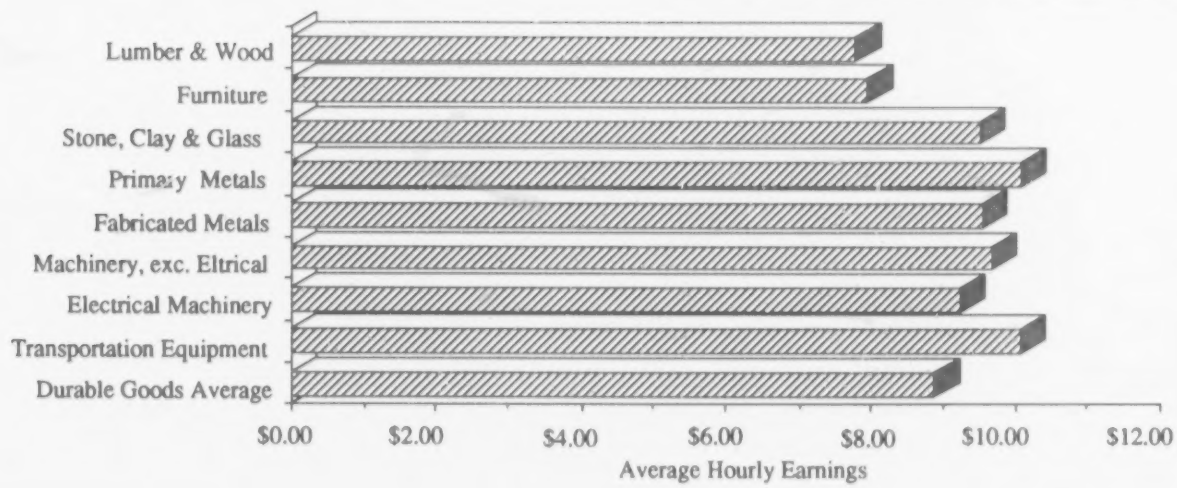

Table III

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

November 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Oct. 1989	Nov. 1988
Manufacturing	682.8	684.2	687.3	- 0.2	- 0.7
Durable Goods	264.9	264.5	266.6	+ 0.2	- 0.6
Lumber & Wood Products	30.6	30.4	30.7	+ 0.7	- 0.3
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	7.7	7.7	7.7	0.0	0.0
Wood Buildings & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.7	3.7	0.0	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	75.8	75.3	77.8	+ 0.7	- 2.6
Household Furniture	67.6	67.1	69.6	+ 0.7	- 2.9
Wood Household Furniture	35.8	35.2	36.8	+ 1.7	- 2.7
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	17.2	17.2	16.9	0.0	+ 1.8
Structural Clay Products	2.0	2.0	2.1	0.0	- 4.8
Primary Metal Industries	9.8	9.8	9.5	0.0	+ 3.2
Fabricated Metal Industries	22.7	22.8	22.9	- 0.4	- 0.9
Machinery, except Electrical	32.3	32.1	30.2	+ 0.6	+ 7.0
Special Industry Machinery	5.0	5.1	5.2	- 2.0	- 3.8
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	40.8	41.1	42.2	- 0.7	- 3.3
Household Appliances	5.2	5.7	5.5	- 8.8	- 5.5
Transportation Equipment	21.8	21.9	22.5	- 0.5	- 3.1
Other Durable Goods[3]	13.9	13.9	13.9	0.0	0.0
Nondurable Goods	417.9	419.7	420.7	- 0.4	- 0.7
Food & Kindred Products	37.7	38.0	37.5	- 0.8	+ 0.5
Meat Products	21.6	21.4	21.3	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
Meat Packing Plants	2.1	2.1	1.8	0.0	+ 16.7
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.6	0.0	- 6.3
Grain Mill Products	1.8	1.8	1.9	0.0	- 5.3
Bakery Products	5.0	5.0	4.8	0.0	+ 4.2

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[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Instruments and Miscellaneous Manufacturing.

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Table III

(Continued)

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

November 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Nov. 1989	Oct.[2] 1989	Nov. 1988	Oct. 1989	Nov. 1988
Beverages	2.8	2.8	2.7	0.0	3.7
Tobacco Manufacturers	18.1	18.9	20.2	- 4.2	- 10.4
Cigarettes	11.0	11.0	13.8	0.0	- 20.3
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	6.7	7.5	6.0	- 10.7	+ 11.7
Textile Mill Products	194.6	194.6	194.4	0.0	+ 0.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	47.4	47.6	48.3	- 0.4	- 1.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	21.7	21.5	22.0	+ 0.9	- 1.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	24.7	25.0	25.3	- 1.2	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	75.7	75.3	73.2	+ 0.5	+ 3.4
Women's Hosiery, except Socks	21.3	21.0	20.2	+ 1.4	+ 5.4
Hosiery, NEC	20.9	20.9	20.3	0.0	+ 3.0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.5	14.5	13.6	0.0	+ 6.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	4.7	4.7	5.4	0.0	- 13.0
Textile Finishing, except Wool	13.7	13.9	13.0	- 1.4	+ 5.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	45.1	45.3	47.2	- 0.4	- 4.4
Apparel & Other Textile Products	75.7	75.9	75.5	- 0.3	+ 0.3
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	26.7	27.0	26.4	- 1.1	+ 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	29.6	29.5	31.0	+ 0.3	- 4.5
Paper & Allied Products	16.6	16.7	16.4	- 0.6	+ 1.2
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	7.1	7.1	6.9	0.0	+ 2.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.4	6.4	6.3	0.0	+ 1.6
Printing & Publishing	18.2	18.0	18.4	+ 1.1	- 1.1
Newspapers	4.2	4.2	4.3	0.0	- 2.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	27.7	27.8	26.9	- 0.4	+ 3.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	10.0	9.9	9.7	+ 1.0	+ 3.1
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics Products	25.7	26.0	27.6	- 1.2	+ 6.9
Other Nondurable Goods[3]	3.6	3.8	3.8	- 5.3	- 5.3

[1]Data for the current month are preliminary.
[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

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